

5. Glorified by us, AGNI, come quickly,
and bring
us desirable wealth: we who (are thy
worshippers),
we (who are thine) adorers, offer thee
welcome together
with oblations: be thou favourable to us;
be (our)
success in battles.

STAKTA III. (XVII.)

The deity, *Hiski*, and metre as before.

1. Divine AGNI, a mortal thus, with
sacrifices (calls
upon thee) who art endowed with lustre
for protection:
PERU adores AGNI for protection when the
sacred rite
is solemnized.
2. Performer of various functions,¹
who art de-
servedly renowned, thou praisest by thy
words that
AGNI, who is possessed of wonderful
splendour; who
is exempt from pain; who is adorable and
supreme in
understanding.
3. He who is endowed with vigour, is
(glorified)
by praise, and by whose radiance, like
that of the
sky, the rays of light shine brightly: by
his lustre,
verily, (the sun is luminous).²
4. By the worship of him who is pleasing
of aspect
the provident (heap) wealth in their
cars: AGNI, to
whom oblations are due, is then glorified by
all people.
5. Quickly, (AGNI, give us) desirable
(wealth),
such as the devout, combining with
(pious) praise,
(obtain): son of strength, (be
favourable) to (my)

6. *Vidharman*: it applies either to the *Ehhi* or
the *yqjamdna*.

7. The text has only *asya vdid u archiskd, vd
asd* being put
for *vd asau*; literally, by the light of him, he
verily: *asau*, he,
according to the commentator, designates the
snn; and the en-
tire phrase is, by the light of him, that is, of
Agni, the sun

becomes radiant; *ddtiyo arckiskmdn bharati*.